

INJUNCTION

CHARLESTON FIGHT HAS NOW GOTTEN INTO THE COURTS.

Charleston, W. Va., Jan. 6.—The "wet" faction in the Charleston city council were prevented last night from passing the liquor ordinance by the granting of an injunction by Judge S. C. Burdett, of the Circuit Court, restraining common council and each individual member from recognizing C. L. Topping as a member, and Mr. Topping from serving as councilman until the question of his right to John W. Cook's seat has been legally settled.

By the same injunction the common council is prohibited from passing a liquor license ordinance and the county court from granting licenses until the Cook-Topping matter has been settled.

To add to the excitement Councilman Fred Paul Grosseup presented a petition signed by one resident of councilman, W. W. Wertz's ward, declaring Wertz not to be a resident of said ward and asked that the seat be declared vacant. Wertz has been one of the "dry" leaders, and the move is to oust him and elect one in favor of licenses, the "wet" forces having enough votes with Wertz prevented from voting, to accomplish this. Action on Wertz's removal was set for January 12th. Councilmen Stephenson and Roche had a wordy combat over the latter's actions and assertions in reference to the investigation of the latter's change from "dry" to "wet" side of the controversy, but friends prevented anything serious happening.

J. W. Cook, who claims he was ousted as a member of council by a bogus telegram purporting to be his resignation, arrived just before council voted to recess until next Wednesday night. The "dry" forces desired he be permitted to enlighten council on matters involving his seat, but this was rejected by vote to recess carrying. Undaunted in their efforts to hear Cook's story a meeting was held in the council chamber and Cook was invited to speak. He declared the telegram to be a forgery and that he would be able to prove it.

IS TAKING POISON FOR TUBERCULOSIS.

Rochester, N. Y. Jan. 5.—Henry Hoefner, retired druggist, who has been taking croton, or rattlesnake venom for an advanced case of tuberculosis completed his one hundredth dose of one-fiftieth of a grain of the venom and today went after a fresh supply. He was greatly improved in appearance, his cough was much lighter and he said that when he coughed it didn't hurt him as it did before commencing the treatment. He was also much stronger. He is now sanguine that his cure will be effected.

After securing an additional supply of the venom, a portion of which is to be sent to a friend who is also suffering from tuberculosis, Mr. Hoefner said:

"I shall take doses of one twenty-fifth of a grain from now on, and I shall also prepare the medicine in a different way. What I have been taking was absorbed in sugar of milk and divided into powders. I find that poison is likely to deteriorate when exposed to the air, so I shall prepare the doses with guaiac. I feel certain that the treatment of incipient cases with croton will give marvelous results."

FOUND DEAD.

Walter Mayes, aged sixteen, son of E. H. Mayes and wife, of Arbuckle district, was found dead. The young man's death was a tragic and sad one. That morning he went out to the barn to milk the cows. Not returning as soon as expected, search was made for him, and he was found dead in the barn yard.

SPENT HOUR IN CHILLY WATERS

THREE YOUNG MEN HAD AWFUL EXPERIENCE NEAR GLENWOOD.

Late yesterday evening three men who were walking from a skiff toward the bank on the north side of the Ohio river at Glenwood were plunged into the stream and were compelled to battle for almost an hour with the ice and current before they succeeded in reaching safety. Their position was made more perilous by the approach of heavy ice gorge which had broken loose and was passing Glenwood while they were struggling for their lives.

The men were Clyde Blake, the well-known journalist, who is visiting his parents at Crown City, and his friends, Edward and Stanley Kennedy, aged twenty-one and eighteen years, respectively. Mr. Blake had been in Huntington and sought to cross the river in order to reach home. The regular ferryman refused to undertake the trip, as the heavy ice gorge could plainly be seen only a mile or so above. The two Kennedy boys, however, determined to assist their friend and brought a skiff from the Ohio to the Virginia shore for this purpose. Blake took his seat and the oarsmen rowed for dear life for the Ohio side, realizing that it would be dangerous to be caught in advance of the heavy ice cakes floating one on top of the other toward them.

A skiff harbor had been made in the shore ice but it was deemed safer to attempt to cross the ice itself than to attempt to reach the harbor in advance of the ice. Consequently the skiff was drawn toward the shore and the passengers began making their way across the ice. They had only taken a few steps, however, when the ice gave way beneath them, plunging them into such deep water that they were compelled to swim. They turned and began fighting their way to the skiff, but each time they reached the edge of the ice and attempted to crawl to safety the ice broke. They struggled on for some distance, all becoming numb with cold. Presently Edward Kennedy reached a 14-inch plank, and with this assistance was able to get his brother to the boat. Then the two bent their efforts to the rescue of the almost unconscious Blake, who was at the time barely able to keep himself afloat.

He was able to cling to the board which was extended to him, and while he held himself thus the Kennedy boys broke the ice between him and the skiff and rowed to this side. Blake revived somewhat when taken into the boat and took a hand in the struggle for life which followed. Despite the fact that the first great cakes of the ice were passing them the three men rowed and pushed the boat to the harbor mouth and thence to safety. It was intensely cold and their clothing froze as they worked.

Almost exhausted when they reached the shore, they went at once to a physician, who was forced to work for several hours before restoring them to anything like normal condition. This morning they had all recovered themselves and were seemingly little the worse for their experience.

Mr. Blake is the man who was severely injured a few years ago while stopping a runaway horse.—Huntington Advertiser, Jan. 5th.

CHARLES HARRIS DEAD.

Mr. Chas. Harris, Chairman of the Democratic County Executive Committee, died suddenly at Buffalo, last Thursday, from apoplexy. His remains were taken to Leon and buried last Sunday, a large crowd of friends attending the funeral.

Teacher—Jimmie, correct this sentence: 'Our teacher am in sight.' Jimmie—'Our teacher am a sight.'

DR. COOK HAS LOST MEMORY.

New York, Jan. 5.—That Dr. Cook, the discredited explorer, is a victim of aphasia, unable to think on any subject for more than an instant, that Mrs. Cook is constantly at his bedside, that while on the way to recovery recently he suffered a severe relapse, and that he continually insists that Mrs. Cook shall not leave him for a moment, were the statements made today by Mrs. Josephine Dudley, Mrs. Cook's sister, and the one woman in New York who knows where Dr. Cook is concealed.

STATE'S POPULATION

NUMBER OF RESIDENTS IS THE CAUSE OF SPECULATION.

The probable population of West Virginia is the cause of considerable speculation in this state and the result of the canvass of the coming census is very naturally awaited with some interest here. It is believed, however, that the figures will approximate 1,144,000.

Such an estimate is based upon the rate of increase of population in the Great Mountain state in previous years. The population of West Virginia in the year 1880 was 618,457 and in 1900 was 958,800, and increase of 140,343. In 1909, the estimated population was 1,141,478 or an increase of 182,678, over the census of nine years before. Thus if figures in comparison can be counted as being able to produce anything like the correct dope, the population of this state will be even more than 1,144,000.

West Virginia probably has advanced more in the last year than she did in any year previous. This can be proven by a review of statistics of manufacturers. Many lines of trade have been partially held up but business having improved wonderfully in all sections of the state, the population in various manufacturing and mining communities has likewise increased. In the coal fields alone thousands of additional miners have removed to West Virginia from Ohio and other states.

The negro population of the state in 1909 was more than 56,000, an increase of more than 13,000 over the figures of the census of nine years earlier. Thus it is expected that there will be approximately 60,000.

SHOCKING ACCIDENT

GEORGE D. YOUNG, FORMERLY OF MASON CITY, KILLED IN A RIVER EXPLOSION.

A telegram from a point on the Monongahela River above Pittsburg yesterday forenoon brought sad tidings to a number of Mason City people. It announced the accidental killing of George Young by the explosion of a pump boat operated by him for the Peoples Coal Company. He was killed instantly. Deceased was a son of Adam Young, now in a critical condition of health. He was also a son-in-law of George J. Tucker of Mason City. He leaves five sisters, among whom are Mrs. Roy Sherman of Mason, Mrs. Dana Mertz of Pomeroy, and Mrs. Allemang of Indiana. He also leaves a wife at Fayetteville, but no children.

Emett Tucker, a brother-in-law, left at once for the scene of the accident and expects to return with the remains to-day.—Pomeroy Tribune-Telegraph.

MARRIED.

Mr. Byron Somerville, of Pleasant Flats, and Miss Ada Clendenin, also of Pleasant Flats, were married at Clifton, Wednesday, January 5th, 1910, Rev. Will H. Gilmore officiating. The Register with their host of friends extend their best wishes.

LIFE SENTENCE.

FOR MURDER OF HIS SWEETHEART NEAR HINTON.

Moundsville, W. Va., Jan. 10.—A detail of prison guards will be sent to the eastern portion of West Virginia next week to bring prisoners to the penitentiary. Among the convicts is Brit Medlin, of Hinton, who several weeks ago shot and killed Lulu Wickline, a pretty young girl of that place, because she rejected him and kept company with his rival. When placed on trial he made a full confession of shooting the girl through the heart and expressed no regrets. He was given a life sentence.

LINCOLN COUNTY HOG NOT IN IT.

McCAUSLAND, Mason Co., Jan. 10. Editor of Point Pleasant Register:

Your Lincoln County hog is not large enough to be No. 1. Alex McCausland raised, fed and killed one this year that weighed 725 pounds, another that weighed 406, and six (8 months old) that averaged 216 each.

Truly Yours,

JNO. McCAUSLAND.

DIVORCE REFUSED

THREE HUNDRED POUND MAN ABUSED BY HIS 90 POUND WIFE.

Parkersburg, W. Va., Jan. 10.—In the Circuit Court here today, Judge Moss refused to grant a divorce to John W. Dawkins, from his wife, Lucy N. Dawkins. Dawkins who was formerly a B. & O. railroad officer, weighs 300 pounds, while his wife weighs 90. Dawkins charged her with cruelty, alleging that she drove him from his home and upon one occasion threw a glass of jelly and struck him on the head.

DEATH OF MRS. ROSA GRAHAM.

We are sorry to announce the death of Mrs. Rosa Graham, of Arbuckle district, wife of Mr. J. P. Graham, which occurred Tuesday night, Jan. 4th. She leaves a husband and six children, two boys and four girls and several sisters and brothers, and a host of friends to mourn their loss. She was laid to rest in the Greenlee cemetery, Thursday, the funeral being conducted by Rev. Riffe. She was 33 years of age. We extend our heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family.

ASSESSORS AT WORK

STARTED TO LIST PROPERTY ON LAST MONDAY.

On last Monday our County Assessor and his assistants begun the work of assessing the property in Mason county.

When making their assessments on property the assessors will, as required by law, collect the capitation tax of \$1 laid against every male of the age of twenty-one years or over, and will be more strict this year than they were in 1909. This tax must be collected by the assessor at the time he is making his rounds, and in case of his failure to do so the bills are turned over to the sheriff, who then collects the amount with interest.

The money from this source of taxation is turned over to the general school fund of the state, which, added to the levy for school purposes laid by the state, although fixed by state board of public works, and after the expenses of the state school department is deducted, distributed around the various counties according to population.

A kind old gentleman, seeing a very small boy carrying a lot of newspapers under his arm, was moved to pity. "Don't all those papers make you tired my boy?" "Nope" the mite cheerfully replied. "I can't read."

SENES BULLET INTO HER HEART.

New Cumberland, W. Va.—After dressing her three children for school, cleaning her house and then attiring herself in her best clothes, Mrs. Fred Attell, aged 45, wife of a wealthy Frankford Springs farmer, locked the door of her home and then going in to the kitchen committed suicide by shooting herself through the heart with a .38-calibre revolver. Despondency over ill health is assigned as the cause.

WEST VIRGINIA HEATS COLUMBUS.

THE LITTLE MOUNTAIN STATE NOW FURNISHES HEAT FOR COLUMBUS.

Columbus, Ohio, Jan. 6.—This afternoon for the first time in the history of Columbus, residents burned natural gas from the West Virginia fields. The big eighteen inch main of the Ohio Fuel Company from Sugar Grove to the West Virginia gas fields of Calhoun county was tested out and the gas turned in. The line has only natural pressure, the company not yet having erected pumping stations, but it is capable of supplying 20,000,000 cubic feet of gas a day.

MOSES AS A JOURNALIST.

Kansas City, Jan. 6.—Addressing the Ministers' Alliance of Kansas on "The Faith of a Journalist," Walter Williams, dean of the School of Journalism at Missouri University, spoke of the similarity of the Bible to the modern newspaper.

"The best journalist with whose work I am acquainted," said Mr. Williams, was Moses." He was the first great editor. You plead for the publication of only the good and the good and the beautiful in your favorite daily newspaper. It was an earlier people, not a wiser one, who cried: Prophecy unto us smooth things. "In one of the five books Moses edited the great editor gave more criminal news, and that more graphically, than to-day's newspapers would dare—for example, the reports of the disobedience of Adam, the drunkenness of Noah, the falsehoods of Abraham and the iniquity of the city of Sodom."

EPOCH.

IN HIGH PRICES MARKED BY ARRIVAL OF \$9 HOG ON CHICAGO MARKET.

Chicago, Jan. 10.—The \$9 hog arrived today at the Union Stock yards here and his coming marked an epoch in high prices for hogs. With the exception of a short period in 1882, when swine sold at \$9.35 per hundred weight, the \$9 hog has not been seen here since the civil war. Continued intense cold, impending transportation, and an apparent hesitation of producers to market their hogs, are the primal causes of the abnormal advance.

Aunt Dinah came home from a meeting in Paradise with one of her eyes badly swollen.

"What is de matter wid dat eye, Dinah?" asked Uncle Nicodemus.

"Well, sah, dar waz a great big nigger 'oman shouted tonight, named Chloe, an' she come down de aisle uv de church slingin' her arms powerful keerless an' struck me right in de eye an' knocked me senseless. She nebber stopped to ax my 'pologies, but jis' kep' on shoutin'—she doan like me nohow. I'se gwine to shout myself nex' Sunday night, and I'se gwine ter put a razzar in my bosom, an' I'se gwine to shout in de direction uv dat nigger."

Let us all remember as we pass through this vale of tears that if we don't take care of ourselves, nobody else in this world will take care of us.

STATE RECEIVES ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND

TERMS OF COMPROMISE WITH CAMDEN ESTATE CARRIED OUT.

Parkersburg, W. Va., Jan. 10.—In compliance with the terms of the compromise reported Friday between representatives of the state of West Virginia and the estate of former United States Senator Johnson N. Camden, with reference to the suit of the state against the Camden estate for one million seven hundred thousand dollars, the official representative of the Camden estate this evening made out a check for one hundred thousand dollars payable to State Tax Commissioner Townsend, and sent the same to him. This is a settlement in full of the claims of the state and the suit against the Camden estate now pending in the Circuit Court here will be dismissed.

WEST VIRGINIA APPOINTMENTS ARE CONFIRMED.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 5.—After the Senate had been called to order this afternoon by Vice-President Sherman, President Taft sent the nominations of three federal officials from West Virginia to the Senate. The first sent was that of Frank Tyree, of Huntington, for United States Marshal for the Southern district of the State; James E. Doyle, of McMechen, for United States Marshal of the Northern district and H. Roy Waugh of Buckhannon for United States district attorney. The nominations had the endorsement of both senators of West Virginia and the Senate confirmed the appointments before they adjourned for the day.

"AMENS" TOO LOUD.

AND MINISTER CAUSES ARREST OF ENTHUSIASTIC FARMER.

Fairmont, W. Va., Jan. 8.—Because, it is alleged, he worked himself into a frenzy and that his fervent cries of "amen" delivered often and at unreasonable times, came near breaking up several sessions of a revival meeting of the Methodist Episcopal church of Helena Run, this county, E. M. Snyder a prominent farmer was arrested and held to the grand jury on a charge of disturbing religious worship tonight. Rev. G. L. Ingram, who gave the information to the Justice of the Peace, claims that his voice was drowned in the fervent ejaculations of Snyder who is a devout church-goer.

When Mark Twain lived in Buffalo he made the acquaintance of some neighbors under peculiar circumstances. Emerging from his house one morning, he saw something which made him run across the street and remark to the people who were gathered on the veranda: "My name is Clemens. My wife and I have been intending to call on you and make your acquaintance. We owe you an apology for not doing it before now. I beg your pardon for intruding on you in this informal manner and at this time of day, but your house is on fire!"

MURDER OVER FORTY CENTS.

Charleston, W. Va., Jan. 7.—A report received here today from Page, Fayette county, states that during a quarrel over forty cents alleged to be due on a board bill, George G. Raines, of Jackson county, used abusive language to Mrs. Minnie Shawkey, keeper of a boarding house. Mrs. Shawkey procured a revolver and shot Raines, killing him almost instantly. The woman was arrested and held under bond of \$10,000.

The store that has the goods at the right prices. Filson Bros.